

**MARKED UP VERSION ATTACHED TO AMENDMENT IN
SERIAL NO. 10/049,187**

**Marked up version of the paragraph starting at pag 5, line 29 to page 6, line 3
is below:**

Figure 2 shows the amino acid sequence of protein derived from cDNA gene of JMT enzyme cloned from *Arabidopsis thaliana* in comparison to the amino acid sequence of protein derived from *SAMT* as a gene for known salicylic acid methyltransferase (Accession No. AF133053; Ross *et al.*, 1999). In Figure 2, AtJMT denotes JMT enzyme of *Arabidopsis thaliana* and SAMT (SEQ ID NO: 6) denotes salicylic acid methyltransferase of *Clarkia breweri*.

Marked up version of the paragraph starting at page 6, lines 4 to 8 is below:

Figure 3 (SEQ ID NOS 7-8) shows the structure of recombinant gene pGST-JMT for expression of *JMT* gene in the form of a fusion protein with glutathione *S*-transferase by inserting *JMT* gene into pGEX-2T as *E. coli* expression vector. In Figure 3, Ptac denotes tac promoter and the underline indicates the nucleotide and amino acid sequences of amino terminal of JMT constituting the fusion protein.